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Recruit Classes

5. The classes of 1932, 1933, and 1934 are now serving. All men from the class of 1931 should be discharged by June 1955. During late April or early May 1955, there were rumors among the Trudovaks in Madan to the effect that the length of service in all services would be reduced to two years. [redacted]

[redacted] this is not certain until official orders were received.

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Soviet and DDR Personnel on Oil Fields

6. [redacted] more Soviet and East German specialists and advisers were in the Bulgarian oil fields than previously.

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Restricted Zone in Shabla

7. After petroleum was discovered in Shabla (N 43-32, E 28-33) and vicinity, the entire area was declared to be in the 2 Border Zone. There is a strict control of travelers in the area. The exact extent of the zone is not known, but Kavarna (N43-25, E 28-21) is outside the zone.

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